

The Great West seems to be the field in which was sown most favorably on the Federals in their gigantic efforts to put down the Southern revolt. Whilst a continued series of defeats have followed their arms in Virginia, in Kentucky, Tennessee and Louisiana they have met with a fair share of success. Lastly comes the siege of Vicksburg led on by Grant, Sherman and McLean against the Confederate commander Gen. Pemberton. Whether Vicksburg be or be not taken, there can be no shadow of doubt but the Federals during the month of May have met with some remarkable successes. From the time Grant landed below Port Gibson till his troops arrived in front of Haines' Bluff above Vicksburg, he had fought five battles in which, according to the telegrams, the Confederates lost in all 9,700 men and 66 pieces of artillery. The battles gained were Port Gibson, Raymond, Jackson, Champion Hill, and Big Black Bridge. The loss on the Federal side in achieving such a series of successes must have been heavy; but what they were is not clearly stated. In the capture of Haines' and Chickasaw Bluff, the Federal loss was heavy; but they took 8,000 prisoners and 100 pieces of artillery, making altogether from the time Grant landed at Bruinsberg, a loss to the Confederates of 17,700 men, and 166 pieces of artillery. Such success redeems a great deal of the bad luck in Virginia. With gun-boats and a mortar fleet in front, with a powerful force on the Bluff above, and the railroad line from Vicksburg to Jackson in their possession, the fall of Vicksburg seems almost certain. The probability of Johnson reinforcing Pemberton does not seem to be very great. Once Vicksburg in their possession, the Federal will have achieved a very great success indeed.

They will command the Mississippi with the exception of Port Hudson, which Banks is besieging; and when the latter falls, as in all probability it will, the Southern Confederacy will be separated from North to South. Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas, and Missouri, will be cut off from the other secession States, so far as rendering efficient aid is concerned. The Richmond papers think that Vicksburg is doomed. If Grant should compel Pemberton to make an unconditional surrender of his 20,000 or 30,000 men, its moral force would be immense in depressing the Confederate cause. If we turn to the other great centre of action in the Southwest, to the movements of Bragg and of Rosecrans, we can gleam but little. One statement is that Rosecrans will be forced to evacuate Murfreesboro country, owing to a large Confederate force flanking him by an advance into Kentucky. If Rosecrans retreats Grant will be exposed. We sincerely believe, however, that he will retreat, except to keep Bragg's army in check. Besides, Burnside is in Kentucky to check an advance by that state. We may safely anticipate some stirring details from the armies in Tennessee soon. From the Rappahannock we have nothing very important, except the rumor of a probable advance of the Confederates under Lee—a raid in the direction of Washington, Maryland, and Pennsylvania. If confirmed of the certainty of the fall of Vicksburg, or for some other strategic object, we would not be a whit surprised to hear shortly of very active movements from the Confederate side of the Rappahannock. So far the news from the States since Hooker's defeat shows victory on the side of the Federals.

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